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5 FAM 970 EXTERNAL RESEARCH ACTIVITIES DELETION

Changes

- 1. This Change Transmittal removes 5 FAM 970, External Research Activities:
 - INR has decided 5 FAM 970 contains unessential information and material that is repeated in 1 FAM 432.2.
 - This subchapter is now unassigned. This is an A/GIS/DIR administrative change.
- 2. Officers are reminded that Department-issued materials not codified in the Foreign Affairs Manual or its supplemental Foreign Affairs Handbook series generally have no regulatory validity (see 2 FAM 1111.1).
- 3. Please direct questions concerning this deletion and any content substance and interpretation to INR/PDAS/R/RES. Administrative questions on the Foreign Affairs Manual or Handbooks can be directed to A/GIS/DIR, Office of Directives Management.

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